



Marc Elrich, County Executive  
Andrew Kleine, Chief Administrator Officer

Catherine Matthews, Director  
Kraig Walsleben, UCAB Chair

**December 14, 2018**

**Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting**  
**Monday, December 17 7:00pm**  
**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center, Meeting Room A**  
**12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

***Topic: "Preparing for the 2020 Census"***

*Guest: Daniel Jones, U.S. Census Bureau*

***Topic: "Montgomery County Public Schools Construction Priorities"***

*Guest: Seth Adams, Director, Construction Division, Mont. Co. Public Schools*

*All board and committee meetings are open to the public!*

*Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to [catherine.mathews@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:catherine.mathews@montgomerycountymd.gov).*

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**County Executive Elrich Schedules Additional Listening Sessions**

County Executive Marc Elrich invites you to attend one of his upcoming listening sessions in

- [Bethesda \(Dec. 15\)](#)
- [Potomac \(Dec. 17\)](#)
- [Kensington \(Dec. 20\)](#)

This is your opportunity to let the new County Executive know what is important to you. For information about locations and times of the upcoming listening sessions, see the [press release](#).

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## Montgomery County Council Elects Nancy Navarro as President and Sidney Katz as Vice President



**Council President Navarro**, who also serves as chair of the Council's Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee and as a member of the Education Committee, represents District 4, which stretches up Georgia Ave. from Wheaton to the Howard County line and includes much of the eastern portion of the county. Navarro has served on the Council since 2009. She also served as Council president in 2013 and vice president in 2012 and 2018. In Oct. 2011, President Obama appointed her to the President's Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, where she served on the Early Childhood Education Committee. In 2014, she was selected to serve on the Board of Directors for the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments. Prior to her Council service, Navarro was a member of the Montgomery County Board of Education from 2004-2009.

**Council Vice President Katz** represents District 3, which includes Gaithersburg, Rockville, Washington Grove, Leisure World, and parts of Aspen Hill, Derwood, North Potomac and Potomac. He serves as chair of the Public Safety Committee and as a member of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee. Katz was elected to the Council in 2014 and started his career in public service on the Gaithersburg Planning Commission. He also served on the Gaithersburg City Council and as the mayor of Gaithersburg for 16 years.

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### Council President Nancy Navarro Announces Council Committee Lead Member Assignments

Montgomery County Council President Nancy Navarro announced the Council committee lead member assignments for the Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED), Education and Culture (EC), and the Health and Human Services (HHS) Committees. The committee assignments for the 19th Council are as follows:

#### **Education & Culture (EC) Committee**

Councilmember Craig Rice, Chair  
Councilmember Will Jawando, Lead for libraries  
Council President Nancy Navarro

#### **Planning, Housing & Economic Development (PHED) Committee**

Councilmember Hans Riemer, Chair  
Councilmember Andrew Friedson, Lead for Parks  
Councilmember Will Jawando

#### **Government Operations and Fiscal Policy (GO) Committee**

Council President Nancy Navarro, Chair  
Councilmember Andrew Friedson  
Council Vice President Sidney Katz, Municipalities Liaison

#### **Public Safety (PS) Committee**

Council Vice President Sidney Katz, Chair  
Councilmember Gabe Albornoz  
Councilmember Tom Hucker

#### **Health & Human Services (HHS) Committee**

Councilmember Gabe Albornoz, Chair  
Councilmember Evan Glass, Lead for homelessness and vulnerable communities  
Councilmember Craig Rice

#### **Transportation and Environment (T&E) Committee**

Councilmember Tom Hucker, Chair  
Councilmember Evan Glass  
Councilmember Hans Riemer

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#### **FIND YOUR DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER:**

To find your Councilmanic District or Councilmember, use the [interactive Council District map](#).

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## Montgomery County Community Grants Announces Additional Workshops

*Non-profit organizations serving County residents are encouraged to attend a workshop on grant funding*

The Montgomery County Community Grants Program announced additional information workshops to launch the FY 2020 grants application cycle. [Applications are now being accepted through Tuesday, January 15, 2019.](#) [Register online](#) to reserve your space at one of the workshops below:

### [COMMUNITY GRANTS INFORMATION WORKSHOP for New Americans / Immigrant Services](#)

Saturday, December 15, 2018

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Charles W. Gilchrist Immigrant Resource Center - East County Site - Main Meeting Room  
3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring, MD 20904

### [COMMUNITY GRANTS INFORMATION WEBINAR / ONLINE MEETING](#)

Monday, December 17, 2018

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Online Webinar

For more information on the Community Grants Program, please visit the [County Executive Grants website](#) and the [County Council Grants website](#) and [sign-up to receive email updates](#) about the Community Grants Program.

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## Council Confirms Elrich's First Appointments



The Montgomery County Council voted unanimously to confirm County Executive Marc Elrich's appointees Andrew Kleine, Richard Madaleno and Robin Riley as the chief administrative officer, budget director, and recreation director respectively. Read County Executive Elrich's press release at

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22631](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22631)

## Elrich Delivers Inaugural Speech at Strathmore Music Center (December 3, 2018)



[Watch the full speech.](#)

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# Faith-based Facilities Security Operating Grants

Montgomery County has approved \$200,000 to be used for security operations by faith-based communities experiencing hate crimes or at significant risk of becoming targets of hate crimes.

Applications are due:

**Thursday, January 10, 2019**

An optional information session will be held on Tues,  
Dec. 18, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the  
Executive Office Building at 101 Monroe St in Rockville.



Securing Houses of Worship

Grant information and application:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/OEMHS/security-oper-grant-form.html>

## Faith-based Facilities Security Operating Grants Application and Information Session

**Applications are due by Thursday, January 10, 2019.**

In light of the tragic act of violence at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh in October of this year, and previous acts of hate-motivated violence in faith-based facilities, Montgomery County has approved a \$200,000 security grant fund to be used for faith-based communities experiencing hate crimes or at significant risk of becoming targets of hate crimes. These grants are available to augment costs for security personnel or other security planning measures for faith-based organizations located in Montgomery County, Maryland. Faith-based organizations interested in the funds may apply beginning Dec. 10, 2018 through the county's application on the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) website. More information about eligibility, use of funds, grant administration, etc. can be found on the OEMHS webpage with the application.

### Questions? Come to the Informational Session

**Tuesday, December 18 6:30pm-8:30pm**

**Executive Office Building Auditorium**

**101 Monroe Street, Rockville**

**Attendance is not necessary to apply.** Staff will be present to answer questions and provide assistance with the application, as needed. Applications will be reviewed by a panel who will consider risk, need, and intended use of funds in determining awards. The application for grant funding is now available online at:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/OEMHS/security-oper-grant-form.html>

Questions can be directed to the following: [OEMHS.grants@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:OEMHS.grants@montgomerycountymd.gov)

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## Montgomery County Department of Liquor Control Increases Enforcement Efforts During Holiday Season

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22657](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22657)

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## Montgomery County's Priorities for the 2019 Maryland General Assembly Session



The Office of Intergovernmental Relations released [Montgomery County's priorities](#) for the session of the Maryland General Assembly due to convene in Annapolis on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019.

Highlights of the County's priorities include increased state funding for education; transportation; affordable housing; environment; economic development; health and human services; victims' rights; public safety; core government functions and capital projects.

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### Montgomery Council seeks applicants for County Committee to Recommend Funding for the Public Election Fund

***Deadline for letters of interest applications is Wednesday, February 6, at 5:00pm.***

The Montgomery County Council is seeking applicants for positions on the Committee to Recommend Funding for the Public Election Fund. The Council enacted Bill 16-14 in 2014 that established a voluntary public campaign financing system for candidates for County Council and County Executive. Beginning with the 2018 election, a candidate for Council or Executive could seek matching funds for small dollar contributions of \$150 or less from a Public Election Fund. The Council must appropriate funds for the Public Election Fund as part of the annual County government operating budget.

The legislation created the Committee to Recommend Funding for the Public Election Fund to estimate the funds necessary to implement the public campaign finance system and recommend an annual appropriation by the Council for the Public Election Fund.

Letters of application expressing interest, including a resume listing professional and civic experience, should be addressed to: Council President Nancy Navarro, County Council Office, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Applications can also be submitted via email to [county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov)

For more details, see press release at [https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22648](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22648) or call 240-777-7925.

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### Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program Launches Education Campaign About Sexual Consent

***Volunteers Needed!***

Montgomery County's Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program (VASAP), part of the Department of Health and Human Services, has launched a public education campaign about bystander intervention and sexual consent. "Step Up, Stop Sexual Assault" posters in English and Spanish are currently displayed on Ride On buses throughout the county. Violence against women is a major social issue that often goes unreported. The goal of the campaign is to urge individuals, particularly young men, to take an active role in lowering the incidence of sexual assault. VASAP works to reduce the incidence of rape and sexual assault through public education, media outreach and professional training. VASAP provides crisis and ongoing counseling, support and compensation services for victims of crimes committed in Montgomery County or crime victims who live in Montgomery County. VASAP volunteers provide 24-hour companion services to victims of rape, sexual assault and domestic violence at Montgomery County hospitals and police stations. Volunteers also accompany and support victims during the court process.

For more information, visit [www.vasap.org](http://www.vasap.org) or call 240-777-1355.

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## Montgomery County Executive Elrich Retains All Five Regional Services Directors

Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich has announced that his new administration will include all five regional service directors who were in place at the conclusion of the term of previous Executive Isiah Leggett. The regional service directors oversee operations in facilities that are the respective neighborhood hubs for County Government and work closely with neighborhood leaders and associations to help represent local priorities.

The five regional services directors are:

- Jewru Bandeh — [East County](#)
- Ken Hartman — [Bethesda-Chevy Chase](#)
- Catherine Matthews — [Upcounty](#)
- Luisa Montero-Diaz — [Mid-County](#)
- Reemberto Rodriguez — [Silver Spring](#)

"The regional service center directors are crucial to helping County Government stay close to, and address, the issues that are important to neighborhoods and local businesses," said Elrich. "I have appreciated the way the existing directors have worked to understand the needs of their designated areas. I look forward to working with community members and the directors to help us meet the distinct priorities of each area."

See press release for more information

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=22644](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22644)

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## Holiday Schedule for Christmas, December 25 and New Year's Day, January 1

Montgomery County government will observe the following schedule for Christmas, December 25 & New Year's Day, January 1:

**County Offices** – Closed December 25 and January 1.

**Libraries** – Closed December 25 and January 1. On December 24 and 31, all branches close at 6 p.m.

**Department of Liquor Control retail stores** – Closed December 25 and January 1.

**Recreation** – All facilities closed and all programs cancelled.

**Montgomery Parks** – For special programs, events and operating schedule, including Brookside Gardens, ice rinks and tennis centers, visit [www.MontgomeryParks.org](http://www.MontgomeryParks.org).

**Ride On** – Christmas Eve, December 24 – Service ends at 10 p.m.; Christmas Day, December 25 - Sunday schedule. New Year's Day, January 1 – Sunday schedule

**Metrorail** – Information available at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com).

**Metrobus** – Information available at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com).

**TRiPS Commuter Store at Silver Spring Transit Center** – Closed December 25 and January 1.

**TRiPS Mobile Commuter Store** – Closed December 25 and January 1.

**County-provided refuse/recycling pickup** – County-provided trash and recycling collection is cancelled Tuesday, December 25. Collection will slide by one day with the last pickup on Saturday, December 29. County-provided trash and recycling collection is cancelled Tuesday, January 1. Collection will slide by one day with the last pickup on Saturday, January 5.

**The Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station** – Monday, December 24 – facility closes at 3 p.m.; Tuesday, December 25 – entire facility closed. On Monday, December 31, the facility closes at 3 p.m.; Tuesday, January 1 – entire facility closed.

**Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters** – Normal parking fees and regulations will be in effect on Christmas Eve, December 24 and New Year's Eve, December 31. Parking will be free on Christmas Day, December 25 & New Year's Day, January 1.

**State offices and courts** – Closed December 25 and January 1.

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## **Santa Made His Annual Stop to See Children at Upcounty Regional Services Center on the Way to The Children's Inn at NIH**



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**For other news and meeting agendas, visit:**

**County Council [http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press\\_List.aspx?id=01](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01)**

**Planning Board [http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news\\_releases](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases)**

**Also check out the latest from:**

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.aspx?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.aspx?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org>